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1. FOLLOWING IS RESPONSIVE TO GRAFS IG AND IH IN REF WHICH LAID OUT IG RECOMMENDATIONS FOR VARIOUS BUREAUS.

2. STEPS HAVE BEEN TAKEN TO IMPROVE RECEPTION FROM TEL AVIV BUREAU'S REMOTE SITES. MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS HAS AGREED TO EXPANSION OF OPERATION (ADDITION OF A SECOND RECEIVER AT EACH SITE IF THAT IS DEEMED THE BEST CONFIGURATION): PTT HAS ACKNOWLEDGED BUREAU REQUEST FOR NECESSARY PHONE LINES TO ALLOW THE EXPANSION AND IS MOVING TOWARD INSTALLATION; EQUIPMENT FOR EXPANSION HAS BEEN EARMARKED IN HEADQUARTERS FOR SHIPPING TO TEL AVIV; AND PLANS ARE BEING READIED FOR THOROUGH RECEPTION SURVEY BY U.S. STAFF CRUISING MONITOR, WITH ASSISTANCE FROM NICOSIA BUREAU CRUISING MONITOR. EXPANSION OF OPERATION WILL BE ONE OF MAJOR TOPICS WHICH I WILL WISH TO DISCUSS WITH D/FBIS DURING LATTER'S EARLY-NOVEMBER VISIT TO TEL AVIV.

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3. REMUNERATION PROBLEM OF CHIEF MONITOR/ASSOCIATE EDITOR [REDACTED] APPEARS TO BE RESOLVED WITH [REDACTED] REJECTION, IN APRIL 1980, OF TRANSFER TO GULF BUREAU. IN HIS EYES, SUBSTANTIAL PAY RAISE IN TEL AVIV IN APRIL, AT THAT TIME INCREASING HIS SALARY TO \$19.5K, MADE HIS SALARY COMPETITIVE WITH WHAT HE WOULD BE RECEIVING IN GULF AND, MOST IMPORTANT, PROVIDED THE BASE HE NEEDED FOR A HIGH-THREE PRIOR TO RETIREMENT. I HAVE DISCUSSED WITH FBIS ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF AND EMBASSY PERSONNEL OFFICER POSSIBLE AVENUES TO ENCOURAGE [REDACTED] TO RETIRE.

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